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**Initial Proposal
Six Shooter Timber Permit
1/27/2020**

The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Missoula Unit is proposing to harvest timber on the following state owned parcel:

Section 12 T15N R22W

This section is located approximately 5 air miles northwest of Frenchtown, Montana in the Sixmile Creek drainage in Missoula County.

The primary objectives of the proposed project are:

- Remove Douglas-fir, ponderosa pine and western larch that contain insects, disease, faded crowns and/or poor form and vigor.
- Maintain forest productivity.
- Promote seral species.
- Generate revenue for the Montana State University.

The proposal would harvest approximately 0.5 million board feet from up to 320 acres using a sanitation harvest prescription. The proposed harvest would contribute to the DNRC's sustained yield as mandated by state statute 77-5-222 MCA.

Approximately ½ mile of temporary road construction may be needed to access the project area. Road maintenance would take place on existing roads within the section as needed, to improve function and drainage of the road surface.

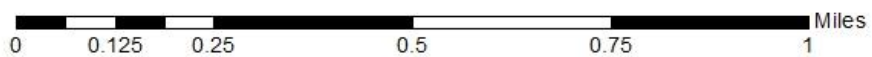
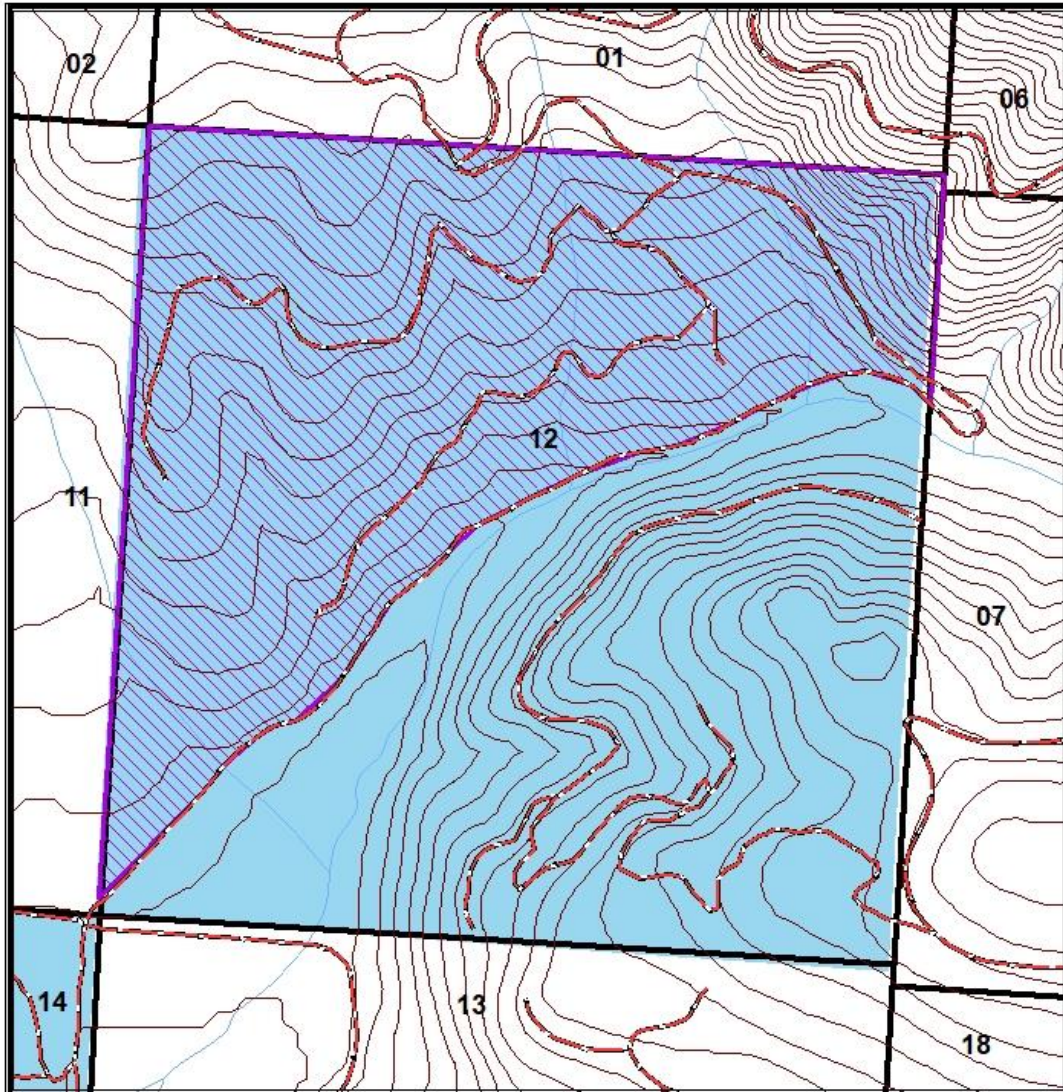
The DNRC is in the scoping phase of the project environmental assessment so all volumes, acreages and road distances are preliminary estimates. In preparation for this project, specialists such as wildlife biologists, hydrologists, soil scientists, and archeologists will be consulted.

The Montana DNRC invites written comments and suggestions concerning this proposal. Please respond by February 25, 2020 to:

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Legend

- FMB_Roads
- 6 Shooter Project Area
- Streams



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